

PATENT APPLICATION

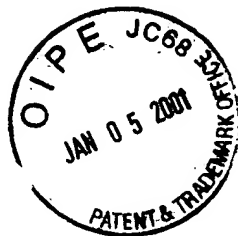
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

TADA, HIDEAKI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/380,276

Filed: August 27, 1999



Group Art Unit: 1646

Examiner: O'Hara, E.

RECEIVED
JAN 12 2001
TECH CENTER 1600/2900

For: NOVEL POLYPEPTIDES, DNAS ENCODING THE POLYPEPTIDES, AND
UTILITY OF THE POLYPEPTIDES

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT
APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID
SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This response is in regard to the Notice to Comply, mailed December 13, 2000, issued in the above referenced patent application. A copy of that Notice is attached. As the Notice to Comply was mailed December 13, 2000, and set a 30 day period for response, this response is timely filed as it is being filed on or before January 12, 2001.

In the Notice to Comply, the Examiner states that the present application fails to comply with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825 because a computer readable form (CFR) copy of the Sequence Listing has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e).

The Examiner further states that Applicants need to provide a CFR copy of the Sequence Listing which includes all of the sequences that are present in the instant application, and a statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same, and that they include no new matter.

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY
Appln. No.: 09/380,276

In response, Applicants include herewith a paper copy and CRF copy of a substitute Sequencing Listing, a Statement to Support Filing and Submission in Accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825, a copy of the Notice to Comply, and a Preliminary Amendment.

Applicants assert that the response to the Notice to Comply and the enclosures are being timely filed, and that the enclosures bring the present application in full compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge that the Sequence Listing in the present application meets the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825.

SUGHRUE, MION, ZINN,
MACPEAK & SEAS, PLLC
2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20037-3213
Telephone: (202) 293-7060
Facsimile: (202) 293-7860

Very truly yours,



Drew Hissong
Registration No. 44,765

Date: January 5, 2001